

BOARD OF SELECTMAN

REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 7, 2012

7:30 PM

PRESENT: K. Lyden, L. Buckley, E. Burr, R. McKenney

ABSENT: R. Ross

CALL TO ORDER: First Selectman Lyden called the meeting to order at 7:30

AGENDA:

1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S/C (Burr/McKenney) to approve the January 3, 2012, Regular Meeting minutes as amended.

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Vote: Approved Unanimously

M/S/C (Burr/Buckley) to approve the January 19, 2012 Special Meeting as presented.

Vote: Approved Unanimously

2) CORRESPONDENCE/PUBLIC COMMENT

P. Sielman informed the Board that the publication, "Our Town" is having a hard time covering the cost of printing and mailing. He stated the cost of printing is going up. They have raised \$2700 and they need a total of \$5000 to publish and mail the next 4 issues.

P. Sielman thought the mass mailing of the Planning and Zoning Commission's, Notice of Public Hearing for the POCD was a good idea and well done. He also complimented the Board of Finance on the explanation of the mill rate which was emailed to all registered residents.

P. Sielman updated the members on Route 11. He stated there has been some progress on the issue of tolls which Rep. Ed Jutila brought up the previous year. They met with Senator McKinney and discussed tolls for raising funds for road/transportation infrastructure. He encouraged the board members to testify in favor of tolls.

J. Savalle, Fire Chief of Gardner Lake Fire Dept. gave an update on the tanker which the department is asking to be replaced. He stated the Board of Finance asked the company

to look at financing and come to them with options. He stated his committee asked six various truck body makers to sharpen their pencils and come up with new pricing.

J. Savalle stated that there is a committee which has been set up in his department to research the purchase of an ambulance. He expects to be able to order an ambulance around December 2012.

3) AGENDA ADDITIONS/REVISIONS

M/S/C (Buckley/Burr) to delete item E-Tax Collector Refunds, from the agenda.

4) AGENDA

A) 8 Mile River Storm Water Grant.

Anthony Irving from the 8 Mile River Wild and Scenic program gave a brief introduction of the grant and introduced Wade Thomas from Nathan Jacobson Engineers and Pat Young from 8 Mile River Wild and Scenic program.

W. Thomas gave the members a draft copy of the results from the work which was done for the grant. He stated they mapped all of the storm water outfalls in Salem. The outfalls were mapped with GPS and put into a GIS format.

W. Thomas stated that this is an EPA requirement which the Town of Salem has received a waiver for in the past. There are 6 minimum control measures that are required to be met.

He explained that the DEEP requires mapping of all storm water outfalls.

W. Thomas explained that the committee members developed a matrix to see how the outfalls work and how they impact the wetlands or waterways they flow into. He stated this was over and above what DEEP requires. He stated there were 190 outfalls, which consist of catch basin pipe system that outlet to the ground. They just looked at town owned systems. He stated they are ranked for priority of effectiveness or impact on the environment.

P. Young stated that the 8 Mile River Wild and Scenic program wanted to be involved in the grant because of the environmental concerns, but they also wanted the work to benefit the town. She explained that the MS4 federal program which the state is also going to mandate would be asking for mapping of the storm water outflows. She explained that once something is mandated then there are no grants available to do the mandated work. P. Young informed the members that most of the requirements have been satisfied within the scope of the grant. She stated the town will benefit because most of the work has been accomplished with the grant and it gives the town's public works department information that they did not have

before and allows them to use the information as a tool to guide them in future work or repairs.

P. Young stated there may be another grant coming up that will build on the grant that they just completed. That grant would let them do field work on some of the outfalls which they have prioritized as having a negative effect on the environment. It would allow them to possibly correct some of the issues with individual outfalls. She stated the grant may become available in the next couple of months and would take a buy in/match from the town.

B) Appoint Ed Natoli to the Inland and Wetlands Conservation Commission.

M/S/C (McKenney/Burr) to appoint Ed Natoli to the Inland and Wetlands Conservation Commission. Vote: Approved Unanimously

C) Discuss and Approve the Plan of Conservation and Development

K. Lyden reminded members that they received the plan at the previous month's meeting. He stated that every ten years towns are required to update their plan or risk not being eligible for grants. There was a mass mailer sent out to all residents informing them of the Public Hearing for the POCD on February 28, 2012 and he encouraged people to go. The plan is an advisory document only.

M/S/C (Burr/McKenney) to forward a favorable recommendation to the Planning and Zoning Commission approving the draft revision of the POCD. Vote: Approved Unanimously

D) Set Special Meeting to discuss Events Policy

The Board discussed and decided on the date of February 16th, 2012 at 6:30 to discuss the events policy.

5) REPORTS

A) First Selectman-K. Lyden thanked the Salem School for their donation of \$412.08 to the needy fund.

The town was awarded the CIRMA Risk Management Achievement Award

The town received an \$8001.00 grant to be used for energy efficient appliances and recyclable garbage containers.

K. Lyden reminded residents to make sure their private driveways and roads are maintained to allow passage of emergency vehicles.

B) Public Works-Cleaning catch basins and tree trimming

C) Building Department-permits for generators being issued

D) Salem School Building Committee-Met with the state Bureau of School Facilities and have a second meeting scheduled. Met with Board of Finance to outline funding needs over the next 18 months.

- E) **Board of Education**-the cooperative meeting set tuition for special education. They are discussing how to approach the plan for high school students after the 20 year agreement with East Lyme runs out.
- F) **Board of Finance**-Discussed Capital Plan at last meeting.
- G) **Planning and Zoning**-POCD public hearing was discussed, regulation changes and a digital zoning map was adopted
- H) **Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commission**-Sally Snyder was elected Chair and Eric Belt Vice Chair.
- I) **Economic Development Commission**-9 small business came to Salem in the last year. A farmers market for the pavilion is being planned for Thursday's and is scheduled to start at the end of June.
- J) **Zoning Board of Appeals**-no report
- K) **Recreation Commission**-budget time
- L) **Public Safety**-see report
- M) **Transfer Station**-licensing and inspections planned
- N) **Library**-no report

6) PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

7) FUTURE ACTION ITEMS:

1. TOWN EVENTS POLICY (discussed previously)

ADJOURNMENT:

M/S/C (Burr/Buckley) to adjourn at 8:25

Respectfully Submitted
Sue Spang
Recording Secretary